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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Contact with Lloyd Norman of the
Washington Bureau of Newsweek

1. On 16 August I received a phone call at my office from Lloyd Norman of Newsweek who works for my old friend, Maynard Parker, Assistant Managing Editor of Newsweek. Norman asked me if I could help him out with some analysis of what was currently happening in China. He was particularly interested in the triumvirate which was supposed to be ruling China. Was there a rivalry among them, how did they interact, were there any personal quirks that would help liven up an article.

2. I gave Norman a fairly standard analysis of the situation as we see it without using classified data. I stayed away from the Vance trip and foreign policy implications. I had told him that I was not prepared to go into these matters.

3. Norman must have gotten my phone number from Maynard Parker. He said he was quite new to China. I suggested he might use his (Newsweek's) expert in Hong Kong, Sidney Liu.


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